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In re Application of:

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Michael Kain, and Charles Parker

Application No.: 09/418,083

Group Art Unit: 2157

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For: DISTRIBUTED TRANSPORT COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER WITH

MESSAGING SUBSYSTEM FOR HIGH-SPEED COMMUNICATIONS

BETWEEN HETEROGENEOUS COMPUTER SYSTEMS

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In response to the Official Action dated **August 27, 2003**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include the attached 48 replacement sheets.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.